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Takashi HAMADA et al)
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Examiner: Fernando L. Toledo)
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF)
MANUFACTURING THE SAME)

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The Examiner's attention is particularly drawn to the following references:

US Patent no. 5,696,003
US Patent no. 5,970,327
US Patent no. 5,998,838
US Patent Application Publication no. US 2002/0151120 A1
US Patent Application Publication no. US 2002/0164843 A1
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No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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